SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT:	Estimate of the Permanent Resident Population for Sumter County - April 1, 2010 (Staff recommends approval).		
REQUESTED	ACTION: Approve April 1, 2010, Preliminary Estimate of the Permanent Resident Population of 97,385.		
	☐ Work Session (Report Only)☑ Regular Meeting	DATE OF MEETING: Special Meeting	9/14/2010
CONTRACT:	N/A Effective Date: Managing Division / Dept:	Vendor/Entity: Termination Date: Planning	
BUDGET IMP	ACT:		
☐ Annual ☐ Capital ☑ N/A	FUNDING SOURCE: EXPENDITURE ACCOUN	T:	

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:

Each year the Bureau of Economic & Business Research at the University of Florida (BEBR) develop population estimates for all local governments in Florida. Typically, these population estimates are used for revenue sharing. However, with the 2010 U.S. Census, the official 2010 U.S. Census population count (estimated release date of March 2011) will be used in place of this BEBR population estimate for revenue sharing.

The April 1, 2010, permanent population estimate from BEBR for the County is 97,385. The BEBR estimate is consistent with the 2010 population estimate developed by the County's Planning Department (97,700). The deviation between the BEBR estimate and the County's Planning Department estimate is 315 residents, less than a 1% deviation.

Consequently, staff recommends the Board approve the BEBR April 1, 2010, Preliminary Estimate of the Permanent Resident Population of 97,385.

For the Board's information, attached is a table showing the BEBR official population estimates for the County and its cities from 2000 to 2010.

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From 2000 to 2010, the cities of Coleman and Webster lost population. The City of Center Hill remained relatively constant (increase of 11). The City of Bushnell showed some growth (increase of 278). The City of Wildwood led the cities in growth with 1,276 new residents (33% increase). As expected, the growth within unincorporated County grew tremendously by 42,530 new residents (94% increase). Total county population, driven by the growth within the unincorporated area increased by over 44,000 (83% increase).